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Consumer Payment Innovation in the Connected Age

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The "Consumer Payment Innovation in the Connected Age" conference took place March 29-30, 2012, in Kansas City, Mo.

New ways of making payments have emerged as technological advances such as smartphones enable consumers, businesses and financial institutions to exchange information more freely and quickly. The conference brought together top industry participants, policymakers and academics for an in-depth look at consumer payment innovation and the role of public policy in an age of increasing connectedness. Among the questions addressed included:

- Is increasing connectedness likely to revolutionize consumer payments?
- Will insufficient competition or a lack of market standards hold back innovation?
- What new risks and privacy concerns are created by payment innovation?
- Will new products such as mobile payments increase access of the underbanked to the payment system?
- What changes in the clearing and settlement of consumer payments would facilitate innovation?

2012 Conference Proceedings

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Opening Remarks

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Conference Summary

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Session 1: Increasing Connectedness and Consumer Payments: An Overview **Paper** Commentary Kingsborough Commentary Varian **General Discussion Moderator:** Kathy Walker **Managing Director** OpenAir Equity Partners Author: Michael L. Katz **Professor of Economics** University of California, Berkeley Discussants: Don Kingsborough Vice President of Retail and Prepaid **PayPal** Hal R. Varian Chief Economist Google Session 2: Market Obstacles to Consumer Payment Innovation and Public Policy Responses **Panel Discussion General Discussion Moderator:** Chris Bierbaum General Manager, Mobile Commerce **Sprint Nextel Corporation** Panelists: Nicholas Economides

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Moderator:
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Session 4: Ensuring Commerce Access to the Payments System in the Connected Age

Panel Discussion

General Discussion

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Session 5: Facilitating Consumer Payment Innovation through Changes in Clearing and Settlement **Paper** Commentary Mabott **Commentary Platt General Discussion Moderator:** Michael Brown Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, **Euronet Worldwide** Author: Bruce J. Summers Former Director Federal Reserve Information Technology Discussants: Richard Mabbott Director, Major Projects Faster Payments Scheme Limited **Neil Platt** Senior Vice President and General Manager Payments, Fiserv/CashEdge Session 6: Perspectives on the Role of Public Policy in Facilitating Payment Innovation **Panel Discussion General Discussion Moderator:** Sean O'Connor Adviser, Payments System Development Group World Bank

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